

BANDS: 1300 PARADERS TO BE IN FESTIVAL HERE SATURDAY



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Stevens to Propose Series of Sites For City Dump to Council Tuesday



AERIAL VIEW — Seen from above is the 1,250,000 modern Torrance plant of the Pittsburgh Paint and Plate Glass Company, formally dedicated yesterday morning. The ceremonies marked the official transfer of the company's operation from Los Angeles to Torrance.

28 PERCENT OF CITY TEACHERS ON TENURE

When the new school year 1951-52 starts in September, 27.9 percent of the teachers of Torrance Unified School District will have achieved permanent status, of tenure, according to figures of Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools. Fifty-four teachers are on tenure.

Lund to Advise School District On Insurance

Russell Lund, Torrance insurance agent and newly elected president of the Torrance Rotary Club has been hired by the Torrance Unified School District to serve as its insurance consultant and advisor, it was announced.

The board found it necessary to hire an insurance advisor due to the volume and amount of insurance business necessitated by the increased size of the District and additional buildings.

Lund, who will receive \$8 a day for the two days a month he will spend on School District business, will write 50 percent of the fire insurance business. This will be considered payment for his services.

'80% City' Is Bond Goal Here

Torrance Jaycees will be contacting all employers who employ one or more persons tomorrow to join in on the spearhead campaign to make Torrance a "80% Flag City." They can do this by making the U. S. Defense Bond employee plan available to their employees, it was announced by George Post, Torrance chairman for the drive.

If the Jaycees succeed, Torrance will be honored by being the third city in the United States and the first in California to be an "80% Flag City." Nationally known dignitaries and celebrities will be brought here by the government to celebrate the event as Torrance is the first city to volunteer spearheading this drive in California.

Stanley T. Switzer, of the United States Treasury Department, said that this is the first time that the drive is being concentrated on the smaller firms. Previously, only the larger in-

'PARADE OF VALUES' THIS WEEKEND

Get on the bandwagon for the "Parade of Values!" In celebration of the annual Torrance Area Youth Band Benefit Parade this Saturday afternoon, the merchants of Torrance are launching a city-wide town-wide sale of their merchandise tomorrow and Saturday. It was announced by J. H. Paget, head of the Better Retail Merchants Division of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

Well-named theme of this weekend's sale is "Parade of Values." With all the merchants cooperating to the fullest extent in this city-wide promotion, shoppers will witness price reductions and bonafide values in celebration of the annual parade event.

WEST COAST UNIT

Formal Rites Mark Paint Plant Opening

Described as one of the most modern paint manufacturing units in the world, the new \$1,250,000 plant of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company was formally opened here yesterday.

Located on a triangular, 15-acre site, fronting on Crenshaw boulevard in Torrance, the plant is equipped to produce a complete line of house paints, varnishes, resins, industrial and automotive finishes.

Attending the opening were representatives of local civic, religious, business and professional groups, including Mrs. R. A. Owens, Torrance Press publisher.

A tour of the plant, now in full production, and a luncheon followed the dedication ceremonies which began at 10 a. m.

Ground breaking for the plant, the newest in Torrance, took place in October of 1949.

FULL PRODUCTION — In full production, the plant now has a personnel of 180 employees, many from Torrance, according to Tom Riley, manager

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Bentwood, Frank H.; Hulzing, Howard M.; Jones, Lloyd G.; Kilburn, E. Louise; Smith, Louise R.; Oliveri, Gilda; Lawson, Rowena; Bennett, Erma D.; Dexter, Robert R.; Hardenbrook, Helen B.; Hester, Lenora;

MAP OF AREAS IN TORRANCE PREPARED

A map of possible dump sites in Torrance, in the area along Madrona avenue south of General Petroleum, is being prepared by the city, City Manager George Stevens told the Press this week.

Five to ten acres of land is needed by the city for a dump and future incinerator site, according to Stevens. There are several in the mentioned area. A report on the city dump and other possible sites will be presented to the City Council at their next meeting, he said.

A dump on Standard Oil property in southwest Torrance had been suggested as a possible city dump, but was refused to the city by Standard Oil for the same reasons residents living in the area near the present city dump at Plaza del Amo and Western avenues wish to have the dump cleaned up, and closed, it was said.

Kettler Knolls residents have complained to the City Council several times that the dump attracts rats, vermin, mice and flies to their homes, creating a health menace.

Councilman Nick Dralle has made the motion to clean up and close the present city dump six different times within a year, the dump will have to be closed, according to a statement by Stevens. Six times Dralle has

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Paramount to Build House on Parade Float

"One well-built house, for sale, cheap" could well be used as a sales slogan Saturday when a miniature house to be constructed on the Paramount Builders Supply float in the Torrance Area Youth Band Benefit Parade will be auctioned off to the highest bidder after the parade at El Prado Park.

Dutch Horlander and Jack Phillips, owners of Paramount Builders Supply, 2401 Torrance boulevard, said that the four foot by five foot square house will be auctioned off by Howard

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RECORD CROWD EXPECTED

Dick Lane at Band Parade

Dick Lane, motion picture and television star and his "Dixie Show Boat" will be in Torrance this Saturday afternoon to star in the annual Torrance Area Youth Band Parade which will begin at 2 p. m. at Del Amo and Cabrillo avenues. A record-breaking crowd is expected. Lane and the entire cast of KTLA's Monday night "Dixie Show Boat" will arrive in Torrance at 1 p. m. Saturday and will stay in downtown Torrance until parade time to help the Torrance Area Youth Band members sell tickets to their Fifth Anniversary Concert to be held in the Civic Auditorium on Saturday night, June 9.

The parade is sponsored by the Youth Band as a benefit. Tickets are being sold by band members for a 25c contribution which will net some lucky person and eight-day trip to Mexico City by air for two people. The drawing for this prize will be held Saturday night, June 9. All money raised on the drive will be used to buy new uniforms for the band.

The parade will include eight bands, 12 baton corps, four non-musical marching groups, many floats, and several of the Southland's top equestrians. The parade is composed of the Grand Marshal's Unit, led by Dick Lane, motion picture and television star, with his entire cast of KTLA's "Dixie Show Boat." The cast is composed of Dick Lane, Nappy LaMare and his "Strawhat Strutters," Harry Cody and John Swor who play "Popcorn & Peanuts." The Dancing Dixiettes, Tony Lo Vello, accordion artist and the



PARADE COOPERATION . . . Torrance merchants who have planned the "Parade of Values, a city-wide reduction sale for this weekend, help out Torrance youth band members to raise funds for new uniforms by donating towards tickets for the free eight day trip to Mexico. Tickets will be sold by the band members this Saturday, before, during and after the Torrance Area Youth Band Benefit Parade set for 2 p. m. in downtown Torrance. Merchants are, left to right, Sam Levy of Levy's Department Store and Chuck Markland of McMahan's Furniture Store. Band members are, left to right, Billy LaDuke and Floyd French. —Torrance Press Photo.



DICK LANE . . . famous motion picture and television star, and KTLA's "Dixie Show Boat," will lead off the Torrance Area Youth Band Parade this Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m. As official Grand Marshal Lane and the "Show Boat" cast will be in here at 1 p. m. before the parade to entertain in downtown Torrance.



"POPCORN AND PEANUTS" . . . members of KTLA's "Dixie Show Boat" to appear with Dick Lane this Saturday afternoon at the Torrance Area Youth Band Benefit Parade are practicing one of their many minstrel routines, for which they are known. Left to right, they are; John Swor and Harry Cody.

Trustee Election

Charles V. Jones of Torrance will be the only name of the ballot this Friday, May 18, when local voters select a trustee from the Torrance area to have a seat on the El Camino Junior College board of trustees.

Jones, to be voted at-large from El Segundo, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Inglewood, Lennox, and

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YOUTH BANDS.

- 1-Torrance Area Youth Band, James Van Dyck, director.
- 2-Grand Prize-Torrance Area Youth Band Benefit Drive Award.
- 3-Sybil Ring's Starlets, Sybil Ring, director.
- 4-Dixie Show Boat.

DIVISION I

- 1-Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Jones.
- 2-Dixie Gray, Silver Queen of the Cowgirls.
- 3-Chief Wah-Nee-Ota and Indian Group.
- 4-Torrance Accordionettes, Betty Thomas, director (non-commercial float).
- 5-Junior Rangers, Wm. H. Lockwood, leader.
- 6-Paramount Builders Supply (commercial float).
- 7-Highland Park Hi-Ba-Teers, Rod White, director.
- 8-Andy Alexander, riding "Tony."
- 9-Inglewood Boys Band, Col.

Buses Carry Huge Fare Load in Year

The Torrance Municipal Bus Lines has collected 708,245 fares during the fiscal year 1950-51 to date, 56,341 during the month of April, according to the April statistical report at the City Hall.

The Los Angeles-Torrance line netted the most fares during last month with a total of 42,293. The Long Beach-El Nido line collected 15,460 fares; 4,919 fares were collected on the Waveria-Hollywood Riviera line; and 2178, the least number for any one line, was collected on the El Camino-Kettler Knolls line.

A total operating loss of \$3,328.28 was reported for the entire system from the first 10 months of the year, before "depreciation." This figure was arbitrarily put at \$15,757, making the net loss including "depreciation" \$19,285.28 for the year to date.

A loss of \$1447.07 after depreciation was recorded for the month of April for the entire bus system with a loss of \$19,285.28 piled up for the fiscal year to date.

L. A. LINE GAINS

With a total revenue of \$10,449.47 and total expense of \$8431.76, the Los Angeles-Torrance line netted a gain of \$2017.71 for last month. Losses were registered for all other lines during the month of April. Total revenue of the Long Beach-El Nido line was \$3046.95, cost, \$3716.15, loss, \$669.22; El Camino-Kettler Knolls line—revenue, 272.27, cost, \$1028.06, loss, \$699.32; Waveria line—revenue, \$579.27, cost, \$1291.94, loss, 712.67.

It is interesting to note there was a gain of \$128.68 for the bus system last month which the \$1575.75, listed as depreciation and amortizing, changed to a negative value.

Revenue per mile for each line is as follows: L. A.—Torrance, 32.4 cents; Long Beach-El Nido, 20.4 cents; El Camino-Kettler Knolls, 6.8 cents; Waveria, 11.4 cents. With a cost of 26.1 cents per mile for the Los Angeles line, a gain of 6.3 cents per mile for April was shown. On the Long Beach line, the cost per mile was 24.8 cents with a loss of 4.4 cents; on the El Camino line, per mile cost was 25.6 cents, loss, 18.8 cents; Waveria, per mile cost was 25.4 cents, loss, 14.0 cents. All losses are figured after "depreciation," which is a questionable amount.

Art, Flower Show Opens Friday Night

With the opening of the Art, Flower and Hobby Show set for this Friday evening, Mrs. Doug McClay, publicity chairman, wishes to remind all those planning to enter that the deadline will be 12 noon Friday.

Entries will be taken from 8 a. m. to 12 noon Friday at the Torrance Municipal Auditorium. This annual event is being sponsored by the Torrance Terrace and Garden Club.

With entertainment, as well as numerous and varied booths scheduled, the event will be held at the Torrance Municipal Auditorium from 6 p. m. to 9 p. m., Friday; 10 a. m. to 9 p. m., Saturday; and from 12 noon to 9 p. m., Sunday.

Among the many exhibits to be on display will be the life cycle of an orchid, coin and stamp collections, copper and leather work, fancy work, ceramics, textile painting, and as Mrs. McClay said, "anything you can think of."

Mrs. McClay also announced the schedule of events.

FRIDAY, MAY 18

7:30-8 p. m.—Mothersingers of the Halldale school, directed by Mrs. Ruth Adams.

8 p. m.—The Barbershop Quartet, "The Four Colonels of Corn," Herb Allen, Al Ewalt, Doug McClay, and Francis Lehr.

SATURDAY, MAY 19

4:30 p. m.-5 p. m.—Miss Ann Olson and her dance class.

7:30 p. m.-8 p. m.—Mrs. Paul Wenske will direct the children's choir of the Torrance Lutheran Church.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

2 p. m.-2:30 p. m.—Vocal selections by Miss Mary Lou Hutchison.

3:30 p. m.-4 p. m.—Piano selections by Miss Mickey Van Deventer.

4 p. m.-4:30 p. m.—Square dancing by the children of the Williams Elementary School in Hawthorne. Director is Mrs. (Continued on Page Nine)

Spy Charge Plea to be Entered Mon.

Clarence H. Vetterli, 41, El Camino College professor, will enter his plea to charges of perjury resulting from a federal grand jury investigation of espionage here in 1949 in the court of Federal Judge Peirson M. Hall.

Vetterli was arraigned last Friday, May 11.

The indictment containing the alleged false testimony was read to Vetterli, a Torrance resident, and he asked for two weeks additional time to decide about his plea.

"This is a serious matter and should be heard at the earliest possible date," Assistant U. S. Attorney Walter Binnis protested. Federal Judge Peirson M. Hall agreed and set May 21 to hear Vetterli's plea.